

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Group I, Claims 1-4, 29, 31-39, 41-45, and 47-50;

Group II, Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 21-23 and 25-29;

Group III, Claims 11-14 and 16-19.

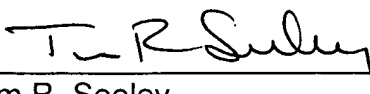
In response, the applicants elect Group 1 without traverse. Non-elected claims 6, 7, 9-14, 16-19, 21-23, and 25-28 have been canceled. Claims 5, 8, 15, 20, 24, 30, 40, and 46 were previously withdrawn in response to an Office communication, mailed August 17, 2004, requiring an election of species.

Upon allowance of generic claims, applicants request consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or which otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claims, and explicitly request consideration of the previously withdrawn claims.

No fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,
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